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FARM ACCIDENTS INCREASE; PREMIUM PAYMENT SYSTEM CHANGED

BLAMES FARM-MACHINE FACTORIES -- Rolnik Polski, No 17, 7 Feb 50

Farm accidents occur too frequently in Poland's rural areas. Farm-machine factories are primarily responsible for the great number of accidents because farm machines are not provided with the necessary safety equipment; for example, threshing machines are not provided with devices to protect the arms of those who put the grain into the thrasher and are not supplied with brakes which would immediately stop the thrasher when an accident occurs.

To remedy this situation, a special state commission should be set up to examine all farm machines from the standpoint of safety. In the meantime, peasant organizations, especially Peasants' Self-Help, should instruct peasants on how to operate the old farm machines with the maximum of safety. The peasant organizations should also convince the peasants that it is unsafe to use outworn, cumbersome garments for farm work. Overalls should be recommended for both men and women.

The Warsaw Wojewodztwo Office has organized special demonstrations on how to operate farm machines and prevent accidents. This example should be followed in other parts of Poland.

MINERS GET NEW SYSTEM OF PREMIUM PAYMENTS -- Slowo Polskie, No 57, 26 Feb 50

A new system of miners' premium payments was inaugurated as of 1 March 1950. The premium rate will remain the same -- 10 percent of the wages for achieving the plan and 2 percent additional for each percent achieved over 100. Under the new system, each division achieving the plan will be paid the premium regardless of the over-all achievement of the mine.

The monthly premiums of workers servicing the entire mine will be based on the over-all achievement of the mine.

Norms were recently established for all mining operations.

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WROCLAW ADMINISTRATION REORGANIZED -- Slowo Polskie, No 32, 1 Feb 50

The Wroclaw municipal administration has been reorganized. The Quartering Department and the Resettlers' Department have been abolished. The Municipal Enterprises' Department has been changed to an independent agency. One new department has been created, the Social-Political Department.

In addition, the organizational statute foresees the expansion of some present administrative agencies. With the reorganization, the number of employees has been increased. In 1949, the municipal administration had 917 permanent employees. It will now have 1,058.

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